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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
CONTROLLING AN EXPOSURE  
PERIOD OF A SOLID-STATE  
IMAGING APPARATUS BASED  
UPON AN IMAGE SIGNAL OUTPUT  
(As Amended)

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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of February 2, 2004. Although Applicants believe that no fees are due for filing this Amendment and Response, please charge any fees deemed necessary to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** being on page 2 of this paper.

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